

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

Human Services Department

Patricia McInturff, Director

August 18, 2006

Dear Community Partner:

I am pleased to announce that Southeast Seattle Weed & Seed, through the Human Services Department, is offering interested organizations an opportunity to request an investment to reduce youth involvement in substance abuse violence, gang, and/or drug-related activities in the designated Southeast Seattle Weed & Seed site. There is \$95,000 of Weed & Seed funds available for programs. Initial awards will be made for the period January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007. Contracts after the initial period will be contingent upon successful performance and funding availability.

The Request for Investment (RFI) may be downloaded from the Human Services Department website www.seattle.gov/humanservices/news. The RFI defines investment results, program requirements, and the process for proposal submission and selection.

Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to attend one of the two information sessions. Questions and answers from each RFI session will also be posted on HSD website. Please bring a paper copy of the RFI as only a limited number will be available during the information sessions.

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday,	1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Rainier Beach Library
August 29, 2006		9125 Rainier Ave. South
		Seattle, WA
Thursday,	10:00 a.m Noon	Seattle Police Dept.
August 31, 2006		Southwest Precinct Community
		Room
		2300 SW Webster
		Seattle, WA

This RFI is an open and competitive process. The <u>original and ten (10) copies</u> of proposals are due to the Human Services Department, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 5800, P.O. Box 34215, Seattle, WA 98124 <u>by 5 p.m. September 29, 2006</u>.

If you have any questions or would like to request a hard copy of the RFI, please contact Suni Tolton at 206-684-0114 or suni.tolton@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,

Patricia McInturff